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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training

SUBJECT : Weekly Report #42
Assessment and Evaluation Staff
15-21 October 1958

1. The first meeting of the Training Evaluation Committee was held 17 October, and was attended by _____

_____ The primary matter discussed was the characteristics of courses which would serve as guides to whether or not the report of the student's learning was made to the supervisor. The general feeling seemed to be that each course presented its peculiar problems, and that it was hard to derive common principles. The matter will need further discussion. Any suggestions that you might have concerning problems you would like to have included early in the Committee's agenda would be welcome.

2. _____ was in to discuss some of his findings and recommendations concerning the Operations Support and OFC courses. He has approached the problem given him in a very workmanlike manner.

3. _____ now having returned from OFC, is immersing himself in _____ material for the Instructional Techniques Course. _____ is being offered a GS-14 by one of the Defense educational institutes; I believe the National War College. He discussed this offer with me with a very good attitude, saying he could see a great deal of interesting work for him here, but he would like to know what the possibilities were for ultimate promotion. I told him that there are GS-14 spots available in this office, and with the kind of work he was undertaking, he was in a very good position to compete for it; that I would not consider any promotion at the present time; that I would be willing to consider it after six months, providing his performance was sufficiently outstanding. He is going to investigate this offer further. Unless it turns out to have any advantages not immediately apparent, I think he will turn it down.

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4. Tradecraft programming. [redacted]

[redacted] and reviewed their training schedule for the next couple of months. Covert Training is booked solid during this period and none of their presently scheduled programs would be appropriate for our monitoring. Covert Training will provide for our participation in the next appropriate program to be conducted after the first of the year. Both [redacted] and [redacted] are enthusiastic with the prospect of programming instruction for self-teaching and hope that we will give some thought to programming their communism and reporting coverage as well as the tradecraft material.

5. Course for Personnel Officers. [redacted] from the Office of Personnel has given [redacted] two very intensive briefings on the first half of his program. From this, we will draft a representative sample of examination problems and use these as a basis of our next discussion [redacted]

6. JOT Training Program. On 20 October [redacted] met with [redacted] to review planning for the CSO course with particular reference to evaluation activities. Their preliminary plans for a reporting exercise and a name check exercise appear sound from our standpoint. At present, they do not plan to examine the students' comprehension of the substantial amount of other material presented in the course, on the grounds that it is a reasonable assumption that all of these bright young men will acquire an adequate understanding. [redacted] will be exploring these matters with them further.

On 21 October [redacted] of the Intelligence Orientation faculty to give him an oral briefing on our review of student critiques from the JOT one-week Introduction to Intelligence course. The general tone of these critiques is very favorable and a marked credit to those responsible for the organization, presentation, and administration of the course.

[redacted] is assisting the SIC instructors in their review of the first examination.

7. At the request of the Director of Personnel, C/AB participated in the PPD Orientation Meetings for University Consultants. On Monday, 20 October, he briefed the consultants on the A&E JOT applicant testing program, and on the way it operates in support of the JOTP. On Tuesday, 21 October he participated with Mr. Stewart, [redacted] in a session concerned with "Analysis of the performance of former Junior Officer Trainees." This was a replication of the

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regular Tuesday morning discussions of JOTP graduates.

8. The Saturday sessions of testing and assessment of JOT's who arrived on board too late to be handled in the regular fashion progress nicely. The JOT's involved are to be commended on their over-all spirit and cooperative participation in this program.

9. At the request of Mr. Karamessines, a special one-day assessment was conducted on Saturday, 18 October 1958. Mr. Karamessines would apparently not approve the particular division's planned use of this man without a "checking out" by A&E.



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